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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants wish to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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The following documents are cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent
  Application No. (A) 09-119768 (KODAMA
  KAZUFUMI), published May 6, 1997; and
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent
  Application No. (A) 08-035759 (KURIPUTON
  INTERNATL: KK), published February 6, 1996.

Applicants also wish to bring the following document to the attention of the Examiner:

(3) Doane et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,384,067, issued January 24, 1995.

Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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